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December 30, 1969

Dr. I.J. Selikoff
Mount Sinai Hospital
11 East 100th Street
New York, New York 10029

Dear Dr. Selikoff:

I apologize for not writing you sooner to thank you for inviting the Port Authority to participate in your conference on December 5, 1969 for the purpose of discussing with representatives of the construction industry and interested Governmental Agencies the safety aspects of mineral spray fireproofing in construction. I personally am most appreciative of the knowledge I gained regarding your extensive research into the medical effects of mineral spray fireproofing. We at the Port Authority were particularly gratified at the very complimentary remarks you felt appropriate to make regarding the demonstrated efforts of the Port Authority and its contractors in developing improved solutions to the special problems of controlling the mineral spray fireproofing application on the World Trade Center. Our General Contractor, Tishman Realty & Construction Co., Inc., and Mario E. DiBono, the fireproofing contractor on the project, will continue their efforts to continually impose the rigid controls applicable to the unusual situation confronting us at the World Trade Center.

Be assured that the Port Authority is prepared to test out and comply with the latest recommended procedures on the application of mineral fiber fireproofing throughout the construction industry in New York City, and we shall remain receptive to the very constructive advise you and your associates have given us in developing the program now in effect on our project.

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We look forward to continued close cooperation both with your office, and with the industry committee which you are forming, to recommend standards and procedures involved in the control of the application of this material.

Sincerely,

R.M. Monti

bcc: Messrs. G. Tozzoli, M. Levy, R. Sullivan, P. Falvey, J. Endler(TRCC)

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